

**DEXTER VILLAGE COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING
MONDAY, APRIL 14, 2014**

A. CALL TO ORDER AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The meeting was called to order at 7:30 PM by President Keough at the Dexter Senior Center located at 7720 Ann Arbor Street in Dexter, Michigan.

B. ROLL CALL: President Keough

J. Carson

D. Fisher

J. Semifero

P. Cousins

J. Knight

R. Tell

Also present: Donna Dettling, Village Manager; Courtney Nicholls, Assistant Village Manager; Michelle Aniol, Community Development Manager; Carol Jones, Village Clerk; Scott Maurer, Water and Sewer Department; Blair Selover, F & V Operations; Patrick Droze, Orchard, Hiltz and McCliment; residents and media.

C. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

1. Regular Council Meeting – March 24 2014
2. Work Session – March 29, 2014

Motion Tell; support Carson to approve the minutes of the Regular Council Meeting of March 24, 2014 and the Work Session of March 29, 2014 as presented.

Unanimous voice vote for approval

D. PREARRANGED PARTICIPATION

Update from Huron River Watershed Council – Trail Town Program
Elizabeth Riggs and Anita Twardesky

Elizabeth Riggs, Deputy Director of the Huron River Watershed Council addressed Council on the River Up project to Fix Up, Clean Up and Build Up the Huron River.

Anita Twardesky who is in charge of the Trail Towns program explained the concept of the program and the five towns in the program – Dexter, Ann Arbor, Milford, Ypsilanti and Flat Rock. The question was asked as to how Dexter can help with the economic revitalization of these towns along the river and Anita's response was that Dexter could develop a team within the community to develop a strategy and stewardship activities around the river.

Ms. Twardesky also mentioned the April 24 conference meeting at Washtenaw Community College on the State of the Huron (River).

E. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

Motion Tell; support Semifero to approve the agenda as presented
Unanimous voice vote for approval

F. PUBLIC HEARINGS

Action on each public hearing will be taken immediately following the close of the hearing

None

G. NON-ARRANGED PARTICIPATION

None

H. COMMUNICATIONS:

1. Upcoming Meeting List
2. Sign Calendar
3. Washtenaw County Parks & Recreation Commission Notice of Public Meetings
4. Scio Township Notice of Master Plan Review

I. REPORTS

1. Public Services Superintendent – Dan Schlaff

Mr. Schlaff submits his progress report of the DPW and Water/Sewer per packet. As Mr. Schlaff was absent from the meeting, Scott Maurer gave the following updates:

- Sludge Project – received a report on sealing leaks on the bolts and can now move forward. Have a test set for Thursday.
- NUBCo – things have leveled off and it appears that things are more in control. Mr. Selover spoke of procedures at NUBCo that can handle wastes.

2. Community Development Manager – Michelle Aniol

Ms. Aniol submits her report as per packet and gave the following updates:

- Spring tree planting is underway with 15 trees on Broad Street, 6 more throughout the Village, a new replacement tree in monument Park, 9 trees to replace those from 2013 that didn't survive and 10 purchased by residents. Ms. Aniol also answered Trustee Semifero's question regarding planting of trees from the tree planting program in common areas in the subs and this can be done as long as they are placed in the right-of-way.
- Evergreen seedlings will be handed out on Arbor Day, April 25, at the Dexter District Library, Monument Park and Dexter Mill.
- Real Estate updates were provided on the Bits and Pizza building and business and the old DAPCO site. Had a meeting planned for today (April

14) with DTE regarding the sub-station but the meeting was canceled due to the wind and power outages and will be rescheduled.

- Morning Star Day Care is asking for rezoning on Dexter-Ann Arbor Road to Professional Business District.
- Business visits included Doors and Drawers and Adair Printing.
- The next Business Summit will be held on April 23 at LaFontaine.
- Mentioned that there may be an opportunity for a Council member to attend the Washtenaw Economic Club luncheons.

3. Boards, Commissions. & Other Reports-“Bi-annual or as needed”

Dexter Area Fire Department – February/March Minutes

Minutes included in the packet. One comment was made in regards to the note in the minutes that the regional team was no longer meeting. President Keough responded that he has been busy and will be calling a meeting in the near future.

Gateway Initiative (Big 400) – Special Tribute/Award – Paul Cousins

The Big 400 was awarded the Governor’s Award for Innovative Tourism Partner in Conservation and that Dexter will be able to display the award for a period of time.

Washtenaw County Sheriff – Written Report for February 2014

Sgt. Flores submits a written report as per packet. It was noted that they may need to do some modifications with the Red Barrel.

4. Subcommittee Reports

Facilities –The committee did meet last week and received eleven RFP’s. Will be interviewing six of the RFP’s.

5. Village Manager Report

Mrs. Dettling submits her report as per packet. Mrs. Dettling gave the following verbal updates:

- Have begun working on the 2014-2015 Budget and BSA has begun working on setting up a two year budget. We will also be looking at transitional budgeting also if Dexter becomes a city.
- Did confirm that taxes at the Dexter Wellness Center will be around \$322,000.
- The tourism program with the Ypsilanti Convention and Visitors Bureau is moving forward.
- Dexter Coney has been locked down with legal issues but the building’s owner (Loreen McCalla) has interested parties for the business and building.
- Trustee Tell thanked Ms. Nicholls for her work in securing the art display from the DIA for August.

- Trustee Carson announced that the Dexter Lions Club would like to donate up to \$9500 for a permanent piece of art for the Village.

6. President's Report

Mr. Keough submits his report as per packet. In addition Mr. Keough reported on the following:

- Working on getting candidates for the Park and Recreation Commission and ZBA open positions.

J. CONSENT AGENDA

1. Consideration of: Bills and Payroll in the amount of \$501,323.01
2. Consideration of: Central Street Road Closure Request from Dexter Garden Club for Saturday, May 17, 2014 from 5 am to 4 pm to conduct their Annual Plant Sale.
3. Consideration of: Request from the American Legion – Post 557 to conduct Poppy Days 2014 on the sidewalks of Dexter Friday, May 16 And Saturday, May 17, 2014.

Motion Fisher; support Knight to approve items 1, 2 and 3 of the Consent Agenda.

Unanimous voice vote for approval

K. OLD BUSINESS-Consideration and Discussion of:

1. Discussion of: Cityhood Next Steps-Charter Commission Update

Ms. Nicholls reported the following that the Charter has been completed and mailed last Friday to the Governor, Attorney General and the Boundary Commission.

L. NEW BUSINESS-Consideration of and Discussion of:

1. Consideration of: Central Street/Dexter Mill Updates:
Decision between gravel or asphalt for the public parking lot

Motion Semifero; support Fisher to go with gravel on the public parking lot at Dexter Mill at a cost of \$5,163.40 to the Village and \$1,912.80 to Dexter Mill.

Motion Cousins; support Carson to amend the original motion and asphalt the public parking lot at a cost of \$10,243.48 to the Village and \$1,912.80 to Dexter Mill.

Ayes: Carson, Cousins, Fisher, Knight, Semifero, Tell and Keough

Nays: None

Motion carries

Amended original motion:

Motion Semifero; support Fisher to asphalt the public parking lot at Dexter Mill at a cost of \$10,243.48 to the Village and \$1,912.80 to Dexter Mill.

Ayes: Cousins, Fisher, Knight, Semifero, Tell, Carson and Keough

Nays: None

Motion carries

2. Consideration of: Recommendation to approve a proposal with F&V Operations to complete a comprehensive Health and Safety Program for the Village not to exceed \$47,140

Motion Fisher; support Carson to approve the proposal with F&V Operations to complete a comprehensive Health and Safety Program for the Village not to exceed \$47,140.

Ayes: Fisher, Knight, Semifero, Tell, Carson, Cousins and Keough

Nays: None

Motion carries

3. Consideration of: Proposal from OHM for Construction Engineering and Inspection Services for the Ann Arbor/Central Street Project in an amount not to exceed \$181,000

Motion Tell; support Cousins to accept the proposal from OHM for construction engineering and inspection services for the Ann Arbor/Central Street Project in an amount not to exceed \$181,000.

Ayes: Tell, Carson, Cousins, Fisher and Keough

Nays: Knight and Semifero

Motion carries 5 to 2

4. Consideration of: Recommendation to award Pavement Marking work to M & M for an amount not to exceed \$10,600

Motion Tell; support Cousins to award the pavement marking work to M&M for an amount not to exceed \$10,600.

Ayes: Semifero, Tell, Carson, Cousins, Fisher, Knight and Keough

Nays: None

Motion carries

5. Discussion of: Wastewater Treatment Plant Underdrain Assemblies

Discussion followed on the problem and need to replace the sand filters.

M. COUNCIL COMMENTS

Carson	None
Tell	None
Knight	Reminded Council that she will gone for the next meeting.
Jones	Mentioned the strange occurrence of wildlife in her backyard. A week ago there was a dead pheasant and today a female wild turkey paraded into the yard.
Semifero	None
Knight	None
Cousins	Will be attending the Huron River Day on the 24 th . Have heard from residents concerned about too little parking downtown and may be looking at a task force on parking.

N. NON-ARRANGED PARTICIPATION

None

O. CLOSED SESSION

Motion Fisher; support Cousins to move into closed session for the purpose of discussing union negotiations in accordance with MCL 15.268 at 9:05 PM.

Ayes: Tell, Carson, Cousins, Fisher, Knight, Semifero and Keough

Nays: None

Motion carries

Motion Cousins; support Fisher to leave closed session at 10:01 PM.

Ayes: Cousins, Fisher, Knight, Semifero, Tell, Carson and Keough

Nays: None

Motion carries

P. ADJOURNMENT

Motion Cousins; support Carson to adjourn at 10:02 PM.

Unanimous voice vote for approval

Respectfully submitted,

Carol J. Jones
Clerk, Village of Dexter

Approved for Filing: April 28, 2014